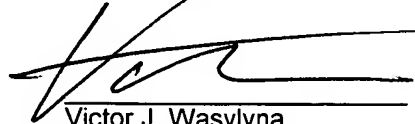




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This paper is filed in response to the final Office action mailed on September 28, 2006 and the advisory action mailed on January 4, 2007 and is accompanied by a declaration submitted under 37 C.F.R. § 1.132 and a petition for a two-month extension of time.

Reconsideration of the outstanding rejections is respectfully requested in view of the remarks set forth below: